



April 27, 2021

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Skyline Drive/Erskine Road Intersection Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the County of Passaic and the project is located at the intersection of Skyline Drive and Erskine Road, Ringwood, NJ, 07456.

The funding is designated for the County to build a pedestrian bridge parallel to an existing vehicle bridge over the congested intersection of Skyline Drive and Erskine Road in Ringwood.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: (1) It will provide a sidewalk and a shoulder between the Erskine Road community and major community points of interest, including a NJ Transit park-and-ride facility and the main business district for the Borough of Ringwood; (2) The bridge will link the proposed Highlands rail Trail effort being led by Passaic County; (3) The bridge will provide a vital link to the region's ecotourism and economic opportunities, and the transportation necessities of the area.

I certify that neither I, nor my immediate family, has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Gottheimer", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Josh Gottheimer
MEMBER OF CONGRESS